

MISS CASPARI GIVES
HINT OF HER SORROWCompares Herself to Hannah,
Who Waited Twenty
Years for Lover.SILENT WOMAN
BAFFLES POLICEShadow of Minister-Sweetheart
Lurks in Background of Her
Career—Guided by Another.

"I have been Hannah, binding shoes—waiting, waiting, for something that never came. Ah, the shoes I have bound; the years I have waited."

This statement, touching in its simplicity, made by the "woman of mystery," Miss Frances A. Caspary, may be the key to the life of the most remarkable prisoner with whom the Washington police have ever had to deal.

The "woman of mystery," they call her, and she is well named. For five days the police of this city have endeavored by every known means to discover her secret. As yet they are where they began—baffled. For years the shrewdest detectives of Baltimore followed every possible clue, laboring in the same effort. They failed, too. Her secret is still locked securely within herself and she will never tell.

Withstands Police "Third Degree."

This woman, accused of swindling other women right and left, has baffled the police of Washington as they have never baffled before. They have her; yes, but in spite of all the third degree methods, with all their shrewdness, they have been unable to wring from her a single word that would aid them in their effort to discover the whereabouts of the large sums of money which she admitted she had secured from her victims.

She only bows her head and remains silent. Her face is inscrutable; one may as well try to read the thoughts of the Sphinx. It is a face of sorrow. Sometimes it lights up with a kindly smile, but it relapses again into the old expression. There is no despair in it, no emotion; just sorrow written in every line.

Courted by Minister.

Twenty years ago this woman was a school teacher in Baltimore. She was pretty, and had plenty of admirers. She was engaged to a minister—a young man just starting out in the service of the church. There is a story, which has never been confirmed, that this woman involved him in financial difficulties. Anyhow, he disappeared.

Back of all the movements and operations of this remarkable woman there has always been the shadow of a man. The Baltimore police hunted that man. The Washington police are now trying to drag him out from the darkness where he has hidden so long. There are many things which lead the police to believe in his existence. Although Miss Caspary admitted having fleeced Baltimoreans of nearly \$100,000, the police were utterly at a loss to account for her disposal of it. She never dressed in fine clothes. She never spent money for anything more than the bare necessities of life. Yet she was forever borrowing small amounts from friends, and paying them back with interest. This, coupled with the belief that some hand more cunning in the ways of slippery finance than her own is directing her movements, has led to the theory of the man in the case.

Twice Betrays Feeling.

Only twice has this woman opened her lips in Washington to speak of her feelings. Once, in the police court, she turned to a newspaper man, and said: "Oh, why do they stare so heartlessly—so cruelly? One half the world does not know the secret sorrows of the other half. If they did there would be more consideration for those in trouble."

And again, when she departed suddenly from her silence, she compared herself to Lucy Larcom's "Hannah Binding Shoes."

For what is this woman of mystery waiting? If the story of her own life is analogous with that strange poem of Lucy Larcom, the answer is plain. The man who entered her life when she was a fair young school ma'am in Baltimore is still the ruling factor in it. So far as is known there has never been anything emotionally romantic in the make-up of Miss Caspary. According to her brother, Dr. Charles Caspary, a prosperous pharmacist, she has always been quiet and retiring. Not even to him has she ever spoken of her affairs.

Her two statements, however, show that there is some great sorrow in her life that is gnawing at her heart like a canker. She says she is waiting; she says she is Hannah. Hannah waited twenty long years for the fisherman lover that went down in the sea. Frances Caspary is still waiting for her lover of twenty years ago? She will not say.

REFORM SCHOOL BOYS
ARE RE-ARRESTED

Frank Teague, John Lee, Charles McDaniels, and William Roland, who escaped from the Reform School several days ago, have been taken into custody by the police.

Teague and Lee were found by the guards several miles from the institution. McDaniels and Roland had a wider experience. After breaking into a grocery store and the railroad ticket office at Dickerson, Md., they continued their travels to Cumberland, where they were arrested as they stepped from a train by officers of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad.

JUST SO.

"Which would you call the more notable, the prima donna's debut or her farewell?"

"Her farewell. Wouldn't you?"

"Don't know that I would. She can't make but one debut."—Exchange.

WOMAN OF MYSTERY



Poor Jane Hannah,
Sitting at the window, binding shoes.
Faded, wrinkled,
Sitting, stitching, in a mournful muse.
Bright-eyed beauty once was she,
When the bloom was on the tree;
Spring and winter,
Hannah's at the window, binding shoes.

Not a neighbor
Passing nor answer will refuse
To her whisper.
"Is there from the fishers any news?"
Oh, her heart's adrift with one
On an endless voyage gone;
Night and morning,
Hannah's at the window binding shoes.

MILLIONAIRE'S WIFE
VICTIM OF DRUGSFound Wandering on Beach After
Having Been Missing
for Days.

NEW YORK, July 25.—Mrs. H. T. Clark, wife of a millionaire lumberman of New Orleans, is back in her apartments with her husband in the Victoria Hotel today after a mysterious disappearance from the hotel last Wednesday.

Detectives were quietly called upon to investigate by Mr. Clark, with the request that the matter be not given publicity. While the detectives were hunting the Tenderloin last evening a colored woman brought Mrs. Clark to the hotel, explaining that she had found her wandering about Coney Island as if dazed, although she had been able to tell where she was staying.

Dr. Smith, of 4 West Twenty-seventh street, was called to attend Mrs. Clark, who is young and pretty. He expressed the opinion that knockout drops had been administered to her, possibly in a glass of soda. Mrs. Clark was still very ill last night, and a physician was in attendance on her. She was unable to give an account of her adventures after leaving the hotel Wednesday. None of her jewels, which were worth nearly \$5,000, were missing, although much of the money she had was gone.

Mrs. Clark was handsomely attired when she drove away from the hotel Wednesday, saying that she was going visiting. Mr. Clark declined to make any statement today for publication. He said: "The affair is to be kept quiet. I do not care to have anything in the papers about it, and I won't discuss it."

Mr. Clark has been in the habit for years of staying at the Victoria on his way North for his summer vacations. His first wife died about three years ago, leaving him three small children, who are now living with his deceased wife's mother in Atlantic City. His present wife, whom he married a year ago, was a Miss Wilson, of New Orleans.

LAUNDRY DRIVERS
PLAN EXCURSION

Go to Marshall Hall Next Thursday—To Have Game of Baseball.

The Laundry Drivers' Association will give its annual excursion and picnic to Marshall Hall next Thursday. Athletic events have been arranged for the afternoon, and there will be a baseball game between rival teams.

In the evening there will be dancing and other amusements. The advance sale of tickets indicates that the excursion will be the most successful in the history of the organization.

PLAN EXAMINATIONS
FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

The National Bureau of Education, at the request of the trustees of the will of the late Cecil Rhodes, is now engaged in preparation for the next qualifying examination, which will be held in October in practically every State and Territory in the United States. The selection of scholars will be completed before the end of January, 1910.

MISS CASPARI,
The Accused Woman Swindler, Whose Actions Have Baffled the Police of Washington and Baltimore.PRESIDENT SEVERE
ON COURT-MARTIALRebukes Members for Acquitting
Two Officers of Allowing Filipinos to Be Tortured.

The President, through the War Department, has published a scathing rebuke to the court-martial which acquitted Second Lieutenants John J. Moller and Clifton R. Bennett, now on duty at Leyte, Philippine Islands, on charges of permitting Filipino prisoners to be tortured by a native presidente. President Roosevelt's comment in part follows:

"I feel that these two lieutenants have discredited themselves and the service, and that the responsibility for thus compromising the good name of the army and the country is shared by those members of the court-martial who voted for their acquittal."

"If these two officers were enlisted men, I would have had them discharged out of hand for the good of the service; and I regret that, because of the law, I am unable to take the action in this case."

PIED PIPER BEATEN;
KILLED 40,000 RATSMarine Hospital Surgeon Found
Only Fifty-eight in San Francisco With Plague.

Past Assistant Surgeon George W. McCoy, of the Marine Hospital and Public Health Service, now stationed at San Francisco, has won the title of champion rat killer in the United States.

Through his efforts, 40,000 rats were destroyed in that city during March, April, May, and June. He was looking for rats afflicted with the plague. His report on the 40,000 was received by Surgeon General Wyman yesterday. Out of that number, fifty-eight rats were found to be victims of the disease.

Surgeon McCoy emphasizes the importance of observation of rats during a plague campaign. A special report was issued yesterday by the service because of the discovery by Assistant Surgeon W. W. Miller, of a "new pathogenic haemogregarine, hepatozoon perniciosis" among white rats in Washington.

It is understood that this is to be a fashionable disease in aristocratic resort circles, and much is promised about it later.

HER REASONING.

"That young fellow I met last week," said the belle of the beach, "must be worth all kinds of money."

"Has he sent you a ton of violets?"

"No; he hasn't spent a cent on me since I met him."

MT. RAINIER FETE
TO BE CONTINUED

Carnival Proved to Be Big Success—Proceeds for New Catholic Church.

The lawn fete at Rhode Island avenue and Thirty-fourth street, Mt. Rainier, for the purpose of raising a fund to erect a new Catholic Church at that place, was well attended every night last week, and it has been decided to continue the carnival Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights of this week.

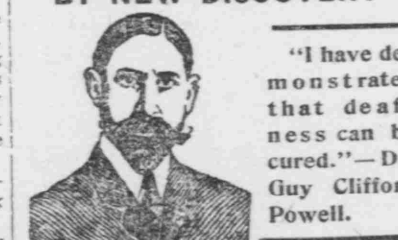
The artistic arrangement of the booths and the artistic manner in which they are decorated present an unusually attractive scene. "The Temple of Mystery," a booth erected by Messrs. Benson and Moore, has aroused considerable interest among those who have attended the fete. The fancy-work booth is in charge of Mrs. Wallace Brewster, and many handsome pieces of embroidery are on exhibition.

There are twelve other stands and booths, representing many new attractions. The Knights of Columbus will attend the carnival tomorrow night, and special display of fireworks has been arranged for these two nights. The Catholic Knights of America will attend Wednesday.

NOT A DISCOVERY.

"Now, what shall we name the baby?" inquired the professor's wife.

"Why, this species have been named," answered the professor in astonishment, "this is a primate mammal, homo sapiens."—Exchange.

Deafness Cured
BY NEW DISCOVERY

"I have demonstrated that deafness can be cured."—Dr. Guy Clifford Powell.

The secret of how to use the mysterious and invisible nature forces for the cure of Deafness and Head Noises has at last been discovered by the famous Physician-Scientist, Dr. Guy Clifford Powell. Deafness and Head Noises disappear as if by magic under the use of this new and wonderful discovery. He will send all who suffer from Deafness and Head Noises full information how they can be cured, absolutely free, no matter how long they have been deaf, or what caused their deafness. This marvelous treatment is so simple, natural and certain that you will wonder why it was not discovered before. Investigators are astonished and cured patients themselves marvel at the quick results. Any deaf person can have full information how to be cured quickly and cured to stay cured at home without investing a cent. Write today to Dr. Guy Clifford Powell, 354 Bank Bldg., Peoria, Ill., and get full information of this new and wonderful discovery, absolutely free.

Closer Union of Naval Bureaus
Aim of President's Conference

If President Roosevelt's conference of naval authorities and critics at Newport results in a decision satisfactory to the critics, it will bring about a reorganization of the Navy Department, in which a greater co-ordination among the bureaus will be secured. This reorganization, if effected, will represent a triumph for such men as Commanders Sims and Key, whose ideal has been a great approximation to the British naval organization.

It is learned on the best authority that the criticism of the American navy organization is that the various bureaus—yards and docks, equipment, navigation, ordnance, construction and repairs, steam engineering, supplies and accounts, medicine and surgery—have been too far independent of each other, too jealous of their independence, and too anxious each to increase its own jurisdiction and importance.

Doesn't Like Criticism.

A criticism from the Bureau of Ordnance, for instance, concerning the work of the Bureau of Construction and Repair, is calculated to arouse the antagonism of the latter bureau. Even if there be merit in the suggestion from the bureau which has to do with the actual sea-handling of ships, the opposition of the Construction Bureau is declared, makes it difficult to get consideration. The Secretary of the Navy, a civilian and not a naval expert, must try to reconcile the different elements, and in actual experience he has generally found this well nigh impossible, simply because he has not the expert knowledge.

Under the British system there is a scheme of co-operation among the different arms of the service, which assures that expert opinion may at all times be brought to bear on these problems; the experience gained in a naval organization and handling of ships is considered by the authorities which have to do with their construction, armament, and maintenance.

Naval officers recently have been devoting much attention to the study of these problems in organization, as is shown by the fact that at the library of the Navy Department the modern works on naval organization, especially those relating to the British navy, are not to be had, and the explanation is that just now they are in especially active demand among the officers. Manifestly, this question of organization is being subjected to careful study.

The naval critics have been trying for a long time to convince the President that they are right in this regard. The fact that they are all maintaining the most excellent relations with the President at this time, despite the opposition of the bureau people who do want the present organization changed, indicates which way the executive mind leans.

MINISTER RUSSELL
HONORED BY FRANCERank of Commander of Legion of
Honor Offered Him for Representing Country.

William W. Russell, American minister to Venezuela, who was temporarily withdrawn from his post on account of the pending American dispute with President Castro, has been signally honored by the French government, by its conferring upon him the decoration of Commander of the Legion of Honor. This action was taken in appreciation of the manner in which Mr. Russell represented the French government at Caracas after the summary expulsion by President Castro of the French charge d'affaires at the Venezuelan capital.

Minister Russell, when informed of the action of the French government, replied that he could not accept the decoration without special action of Congress.

SHEPHERD'S SLAYER
STEALS 350 SHEEPIs Traced by Detectives and Finally
Rounded Up After Selling
Flock.

PARIS, July 25.—One of the most extraordinary thefts ever planned and carried out by modern thieves has taken place near Paris, the only person in custody being a young man who was arrested by the police the other night.

A flock of 350 sheep had for some time been grazing on waste land just outside the French capital, on the banks of the River Marne, between the suburban towns of Alfortville and Crteil, under the care of an old man named Fritz Yung, popularly known as Father Fritz. One morning a resident of the neighborhood, attracted by the howling of the shepherd's dog entered the small movable hut in which Father Fritz slept and found him lying dead, with blood oozing from his mouth and beside him a bottle containing about a third of a litre of rum.

The flock of sheep had entirely disappeared, but were soon traced, as they had obstructed the tramcars while they were being driven across the Charenton bridge late in the night two days previous.

Following this clue the police on Sunday night arrested at a public house near Mont-Parnasse Station a young man named Mavrel, who confessed having sold the sheep at Pantin and La Villette markets for \$150. He declared that he only acted as the agent of two men who had the appearance of horse dealers, and professed entire ignorance as to whence the flock came.

ANNOUNCES HAWAII'S
FAIR COMMISSIONERS

The appointment of Hawaii's commissioners for the approaching Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition has been announced by Assistant Secretary Wilson, of the Interior Department, chairman of the United States Government board of managers. They are James T. San, chairman; W. H. Babutt, Alfred W. Carter, J. N. S. Williams, and August F. Knudsen. They are all of Hawaii.

INFANTS' DRESSES

REDUCED

39c Dresses, 19c
Soft finish Nain-
silk or Linen
Dresses, long or
short, with high
style or with em-
brodery yokes.
Last limited, no
shop, 19c
early.

89c Dresses, 49c
Long or short
Swiss or Nain-
silk Dresses; cut
little yoke styles.
Yokes of All-over
embroidery drawn
with ribbon or
lace inserting and
tucks. Great
dresses, 49c
for.

\$1.00 Dresses, 69c
Long, waisted,
or long and short
dresses of Eng-
lish Nain-silk,
handsome lace
yokes and ruffled
skirt finished with
lace edge; \$1.00
always.
Special, 69c

"Where Your Dollars Count Most"
BEHREND'S
722-724 Seventh Street N. W.

\$4.00 White China Silk Waists
= \$1.13 =

30 dozen handsome White Waists, made of soft washable silk, hand-embroidered silk yoke, edged with fine Val lace inserting, 3-inch lace standing collar and cuffs. Don't let price scare you. These are handsome garments and well worth three times the price. \$1.13

Pre-inventory Sale of Suits, Skirts, Etc.

It is absolutely imperative that we reduce stocks before stock taking. To that end we have cut prices of garments to such an extent as to compel your attention. The following are but a suggestion of our bargains:

\$5.98 Suits, \$1.98
15 Linen Coat Suits, in tan, lavender and pink; stylish manish effect; with white embroidered collars and cuffs. Remnants \$1.98
of our \$5.98 line. Clear-
ing price.

\$7.50 Voile Skirts, Silk
Band Trimmed, \$3.99
All-wool Black Voile Skirts; deep all-around pleated style, with 4 7/8 elsewhere. Sale \$3.99
special.

\$3.00 Panama Skirts, \$1.88
Black, blue, and brown, deeply pleated Panama Skirts, with taffeta silk bands.
Great wearing
garments. \$1.88

Exceptional Opportunity
\$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.00 Silk Linen
Princess Dresses (1 piece style)
with handsome and costly trim-
ming of lace and
embroidery; pink,
white and blue. Clos-
ing price. \$2.98

\$1.89 Lace
Skirts 98c
Extra quality cam-
bric, with wide
flounce of 4 wide
bands of heavy good
washing tulle lace,
inserting headed with
finest stitched tucks.
A great skirt for
98c

Our famous
\$2 Linen
Skirt
again
for 93c

Close woven Union Linen
Skirts, in white, tan and blue;
extra wide, with deep
fold and buttoned up
front with 7 clear
pearl buttons. A world
beater for. 93c

50c Rubber Sheeting for 35c
Sanitary Rubber sheeting;
guaranteed water-proof; best
brand. 35c
Special

\$1.25 Heather-
bloom Skirts 83c
Black light-
weight Heather-
bloom skirts, 2-
inch bouffant, fin-
ished with 2 rows
of shirring and
shirred ruffle at
bottom. An un-
usual bargain.
83c

\$1 R. & G. Corsets, 66c
All shapes R & G Corsets, with
or without supporters. 66c
For this sale.

Stock-Reducing Sale of
Waists—Big Bargains

75c Waists 39c
White all-over
embroidery, fronts
dotted Peter
Pan Lawns that
sold up to 39c
50c.

\$1.25 White
Waists 69c
Lawn Waists with
entire fronts of
heavy Swiss, every-
let, embro, every-
values. 69c

\$1.39 Open
Front Long
Sleeve
Waists 98c
Fine Linen
Waists with em-
brodery inserted
fronts; tucked col-
lars and cuffs edged
with lace; 98c
all sizes. 98c

\$3.00 and \$4.00
Waists \$1.98
All-over Laces
in white or ecru,
Lingerie Batiste
or China Silks;
none worth less
than \$3.00, some
\$4.00; all \$1.98
to go for.

\$1.00 Striped
Waists 59c
Batiste stripes,
colors guaranteed;
black, brown and
pink stripes; some
have stiff collars
and cuffs. 59c
Special.

Stock-Taking
Underwear Sale

25c Corset
Covers 16c
Good Cotton Cor-
set Covers with
arrangeable and yoke
trimmed with Val
lace, draw, with
baby
ribbon. 16c

35c Short
Skirts 21c
Good cotton with
fine tucked
ed lawn, 21c
ruffled. 21c

75c Underwear 48c
Cambric gowns,
skirts, and covers,
handsome trim-
ming of lace and
embroidery; 75c
quali-
ties. 48c

\$1.00 Underwear 69c
All \$1.00 skirts
and gowns of nain-
silk or cambric
beautifully trim-
med in laces, em-
broderies, and fine
tucks. 69c
to go for.

50c Gowns 32c
Good cotton
gowns, full cut,
with yoke of 32c
fine tucks. 32c

Stock-Taking Sale of
Domestics, Wash
Goods, Etc.

12 1/2c Figured
Curtain
Swiss 8 1/2c
Dotted, figured,
and lace striped
double width cur-
tain
Swiss. 8 1/2c

15c Black
Swiss Lawn 9 1/2c
Fast color fine
quality Black
Swiss; 15c always.
Spe-
cial. 9 1/2c

12 1/2c Nurses'
Stripes and
Gingham 9 1/2c
Best quality
guaranteed fast
color dress ging-
hams; stripes,
checks, and
plaid ef-
fects. 9 1/2c

12 1/2c Black
Satine 9 1/2c
Cashmere finish
or mercerized
Black Satine that
sells regularly for
12 1/2c. 9 1/2c
trial.

7c Canton
and Shaker
Flannel 4 1/2c
Nice quality Can-
ton & Shaker flan-
nel, actual 7c
quality. 4 1/2c